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SUBJ: UK/MOD INTEREST IN RELEASE OF MARK 44 TORPEDO FOR

SALE TO EGYPT

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1. REGINALD ANDERSON, ASSISTANT UNDER SECRETARY FOR SALES, MOD, IN ANTICIPATION OF FORTHCOMING TRIP TO WASHINGTON TO DISCUSS WITH DOD OFFICIALS THE IMPLEMENTATIONAL ASPECTS OF THE US/UK MOU, HAVING AS SHORT TITLE "COOPERATION ARRANGEMENT", NOTED THAT IN ADDITION HE WOULD LIKE TO TAKE UP WITH APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE USG WOULD RELEASE THE MARK 44 TORPEDO FOR UK SALE TO EGYPT. ANDERSON RECOGNIZED THAT THIS MATTER PRESENTED "A DIFFICULT PROBLEM IN THAT CONGRESS MAY HAVE TO BE CONSULTED", BUT HE IS HOPEFUL THAT NONETHELESS THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH WOULD PURSUE THIS MATTER. HE REMINDED US ONCE AGAIN THAT THE EGYPTIANS INSIST THAT BOTH THE PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY HAVE ASSURED THEM OF USG RELEASE IN DUE COURSE.

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